

**Friis, John**

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I strongly support part time teachers at ECA. I feel that it wouldn't make any sense to force them to get certified because if they became a certified teacher they can go teach at a regular school full time, it wouldn't make sense for them to teach part time at ECA when they can get a full time job at another school. Regardless if the teachers are certified or not they are better than any certified teacher i've ever had. I'm in the music department and every faculty member is an absolute master at what they do. I have learned so much the past two years and I can guarantee that I wouldn't of learned any of it in a regular high school. ECA offered me information and training that no high school would have ever given me. Through ECA I have learned so much and am 100% more prepared for leading a life as a professional musician. If ECA closes down it will be a terrible loss to Connecticut's high school students in 19 school districts. ECA is the best way for any artist to meet new people and share their art forms with others.